

Message Text

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

PAGE 01 STATE 122322

71

ORIGIN EUR-12

INFO OCT-01 ISO-00 PM-04 L-03 AID-05 IGA-02 MC-02 DODE-00

SS-15 EB-07 OMB-01 CIAE-00 INR-07 NSAE-00 PA-01

USIA-06 PRS-01 SP-02 COME-00 TRSE-00 /069 R

DRAFTED BY EUR/CAN:DAKRUSE:RM

APPROVED BY EUR/CAN:JHROUSE

EUR:RDVINE

EUR/P:FSEIDNER

----- 072976

P 182204Z MAY 76

FM SECSTATE WASHDC

TO AMEMBASSY OTTAWA PRIORITY

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE STATE 122322

E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: MILI, CA

SUBJECT:CONTINGENCY PRESS GUIDANCE - LOCKHEED SALE TO
CANADA

1. DEPARTMENT HAS PREPARED FOLLOWING CONTINGENCY PRESS
GUIDANCE IN EVENT THAT EXPECTED CANADIAN ANNOUNCEMENT RE
LOCKHEED LRPA PURCHASE PRODUCES QUESTIONS IN WASHINGTON.

2. "QUESTION: DOES THE US HAVE ANY COMMENT ON CANADA'S
DECISION TO GO AHEAD WITH THE PURCHASE OF LOCKHEED LONG
RANGE PATROL AIRCRAFT?

"ANSWER: FROM THE STANDPOINT OF OUR MUTUAL SECURITY CON-
CERNS AND COMMITMENTS BOTH IN NORTH AMERICA AND ELSEWHERE
IN NATO, WE ARE VERY PLEASED THAT CANADA WILL BE ACQUIRING
AN EXCELLENT LONG RANGE PATROL CAPABILITY THROUGH PURCHASE
OF THE LOCKHEED PLANE.

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

PAGE 02 STATE 122322

3. "QUESTION: IN WHAT WAY HAS THE US BEEN INVOLVED IN THIS SALE?

"ANSWER: AS YOU KNOW, AT THE REQUEST OF THE CANADIAN GOVERNMENT THERE HAVE BEEN DISCUSSIONS BETWEEN US AND CANADIAN OFFICIALS OVER THE PAST SEVERAL MONTHS RELATING

TO THE LOCKHEED SALE. THE CANADIAN GOVERNMENT WAS CONCERNED ABOUT THE VIABILITY OF LOCKHEED IN THE LIGHT OF THE COMPANY'S FINANCIAL DIFFICULTIES AND THE POSSIBLE ADVERSE IMPACT ON THE COMPANY AS A RESULT OF THE REVELATIONS OF IMPROPER PAYMENTS MADE IN OTHER FOREIGN COUNTRIES. THE US HAS BEEN ABLE TO ASSURE CANADIAN AUTHORITIES THAT WE HAVE NO EVIDENCE OF IMPROPER PAYMENTS HAVING BEEN MADE IN CANADA. WE HAVE ADVISED THE CANADIAN GOVERNMENT THAT IN OUR JUDGMENT PROSPECTS ARE FAVORABLE FOR LOCKHEED TO FULFILL THE CANADIAN CONTRACT. IN THE UNLIKELY EVENT OF REORGANIZATION OR BANKRUPTCY OF LOCKHEED, WE HAVE TOLD THE CANADIAN GOVERNMENT THAT WE WOULD SEEK TO HAVE ANY ENSUING CANADIAN CLAIM TREATED NO LESS FAVORABLY THAN OUR OWN CLAIM."

4. THIS GUIDANCE SHOULD ONLY BE USED AFTER CANADIAN DECISION HAS BEEN ANNOUNCED PUBLICLY. UNTIL THEN WE ARE LIMITING COMMENT TO OBSERVATION THAT WE HAVE HAD NO INDICATION CANADIANS HAVE COMPLETED REVIEW PROCESS.

KISSINGER

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

NNN

Message Attributes

Automatic Decaptioning: X
Capture Date: 01 JAN 1994
Channel Indicators: n/a
Current Classification: UNCLASSIFIED
Concepts: MILITARY AIRCRAFT, GOVERNMENT PROCUREMENT, INSTRUCTIONS, CONTINGENCY PLANNING, THE PRESS
Control Number: n/a
Copy: SINGLE
Draft Date: 18 MAY 1976
Decaption Date: 01 JAN 1960
Decaption Note:
Disposition Action: RELEASED
Disposition Approved on Date:
Disposition Authority: ellisoob
Disposition Case Number: n/a
Disposition Comment: 25 YEAR REVIEW
Disposition Date: 28 MAY 2004
Disposition Event:
Disposition History: n/a
Disposition Reason:
Disposition Remarks:
Document Number: 1976STATE122322
Document Source: CORE
Document Unique ID: 00
Drafter: DAKRUSE:RM
Enclosure: n/a
Executive Order: N/A
Errors: N/A
Film Number: D760193-0079
From: STATE
Handling Restrictions: n/a
Image Path:
ISecure: 1
Legacy Key: link1976/newtext/t19760540/aaaabigb.tel
Line Count: 89
Locator: TEXT ON-LINE, ON MICROFILM
Office: ORIGIN EUR
Original Classification: LIMITED OFFICIAL USE
Original Handling Restrictions: n/a
Original Previous Classification: n/a
Original Previous Handling Restrictions: n/a
Page Count: 2
Previous Channel Indicators: n/a
Previous Classification: LIMITED OFFICIAL USE
Previous Handling Restrictions: n/a
Reference: n/a
Review Action: RELEASED, APPROVED
Review Authority: ellisoob
Review Comment: n/a
Review Content Flags:
Review Date: 13 APR 2004
Review Event:
Review Exemptions: n/a
Review History: RELEASED <13 APR 2004 by BoyleJA>; APPROVED <17 AUG 2004 by ellisoob>
Review Markings:

Margaret P. Grafeld
Declassified/Released
US Department of State
EO Systematic Review
04 MAY 2006

Review Media Identifier:
Review Referrals: n/a
Review Release Date: n/a
Review Release Event: n/a
Review Transfer Date:
Review Withdrawn Fields: n/a
Secure: OPEN
Status: NATIVE
Subject: ONTINGENCY PRESS GUIDANCE - LOCKHEED SALE TO CANADA
TAGS: MILI, CA, US, LOCKHEED
To: OTTAWA
Type: TE
Markings: Margaret P. Grafeld Declassified/Released US Department of State EO Systematic Review 04 MAY 2006